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OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATION AND RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

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Mr. Timothy Parker 6725 Queen Annes Drive Raleigh, NC 27613

RE:

HQ-FOI-2013-006156

Dear Mr. Parker:

This letter is in response to your freedom of information act (FOIA) request (re: number stated above) regarding toilet paper and paper towels being used at the EPA-RTP facility. You requested the origin of the paper products as well as if they were EPA complainant. You also requested the brand name as well as the product number for paper towels as well as toilet paper being used in the facility.

The paper towels used on the Main Campus and Chapel Hill facilities is Brame Von Drehle Preserve White Roll Towels, Product Number BRM 9753105535. The toilet paper used is Brame Von Drehle Preserve Jumbo Roll Tissue, product number BRM 0973017. These products are made in Hickory, NC from 100% recycled material and meet EPA guidelines for post consumer waste.

We have a GSA leased building on Highway 54 in Durham, NC. The paper towels used at this facility are Wausau Paper Ecosoft white multifold towels, product number 48500. These paper towels are made in the US and are meet EPA guidelines for post consumer waste. The toilet paper used is Oasis Brand Livi VPG white jumbo bath tissue. This product is made in the US and does not meet EPA guidelines for post consumer waste.

There is another GSA leased building located on Old Page Rd in Durham, NC. The Paper towels used in this facility are Georgia Pacific Cormatic, product number 2930p. This product is made in the US and does meet EPA guidelines for post consumer waste. The toilet paper used is Oasis Brand Livi VPG white jumbo bath tissue. This product is made in the US and does not meet EPA guidelines for post consumer waste.

If you consider this response to be a partial denial, you may appeal it by addressing your written appeal to:

National Freedom of Information Act Officer U.S. EPA Records, FOIA, and Privacy Branch (2822T) 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20460 Fax number: (202) 566-2147

Email: hq.foia@epa.gov

The appeal must be made in writing, and it must be submitted no later than 30 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 30-day limit. The appeal letter should include the FOI number identified at the top of this letter. If you mail the appeal letter, the envelope should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal" in order to ensure the quickest possible handling.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Alex Montilla, Deputy Director, Facilities Management Services Division, at 919-541-0324.

Sincerely,

Mark McPherson

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cc: FOIA Officer